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SUBJECT: HAPPENINGS AT MEXICO CITY G-77 PREP COMM CONCLUDES ITS
SESSION

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1. SUMMARY: WE HAVE HAD USEFUL TALKS WITH A NUMBER AND
VARIETY OF DELEGATIONS IN THE G-77 PREP COMM USING OUR PRESENCE
HERE FOR THE ECLA-HABITAT, MEETINGS A MOST USEFUL HANDLE. IN
ADDITION TO THE INSTITUTIONAL QUESTION, A MORE SERIOUS AND
POTENTIALLY DEVISIVE ISSUE FORCED AN EXTENSION OF THE PREP
COMM AND SET THE STAGE FOR HEATED INTERPLAY WITHIN THE G-77-
NAC. END SUMMARY.

2. CONVERSATIONS WITH REPS OF GUYANA, THAILAND, JAMAICA,
RUMANIA, VENEZUELA, TRINIDAD, AND OTHERS CONFIRM THAT THERE
ARE STRONGLY HELD POSITIONS WITH RESPECT TO THE FUTURE
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INSTITUTIONAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR BACKSTOPPING THE G-77.

AT THE PREPARATORY LEVEL, THIS ISSUE WAS NOT ANYWHERE NEAR RESOLUTION AND MAY VERY WELL BE BOUND OVER AS FUTURE BUSINESS.

3. AT LONG AND INFORMAL RENEWAL OF ACQUAINTANCE WITH AKRAM (PAKISTAN) AND QUADRIDDIN (PAKISTAN), KITCHEN AND EMBOFF RAISED QUESTION OF WHAT G-77 HOPED TO ACHIEVE HERE, CALLED ATTENTION TO NUMBER OF ACTIVITIES WHICH HAVE TRANSPIRED DURING THE LAST SIX MONTHS, AND QUESTIONED WHETHER ANY PERSONS OR GOVERNMENT HAD FULLY DIGESTED ACTIONS, DECISIONS, AND RESOLUTIONS TO POINT THAT ANYTHING NEW OR OF USEFUL CONSEQUENCE COULD BE GENERATED.

4. IN A RATHER UNUSUALLY FORTHCOMING EXPOSITION AKRAM GENERALLY CONCURRED. HE THEN WENT ON TO SAY THAT ON THURSDAY P.M., CABRIC (YUGOSLAVIA) HAD PRESENTED THE NAC COLOMBO REPORT TO PREP COMM FOR CONSIDERATION AND ENDORSEMENT TO MINISTERS. FYI: WE ARE TOLD THAT THE QUOTE SKILLFUL AND ONEROUS COMPILATION UNQUOTE OF THE REPORT WAS EFFECTED BY ISMAT KITTIANI (IRAQ), FORMER CHEF DE CABINET TO UNSYG WALDHEIM. END FYI. THE PAKS IMMEDIATELY OBJECTED TO THE NAC PRESUMPTION THAT THE G-77, WHICH WAS NOT FULLY INVOLVED IN AND REPRESENTED AT COLOMBO, SHOULD EITHER BE OBLIGATED OR EXPECTED TO RUBBER STAMP THE NAC POSITIONS. MOREOVER, THEY QUESTIONED THIS PROCEDURAL TACTIC AND ITS RELEVANCE TO THE AGENDA OF THE UPCOMING MEETING. INDEED, THEY ARGUED THAT ALL POSITIONS EMERGING SINCE MANILA SHOULD BE REFERRED BEYOND MEXICO TO THE PLENARY.

5. SUBSEQUENTLY WE UNDERSTAND THAT THE PAKISTAN POSITION LED TO EXTENSIVE DISCUSSIONS AND CONSULTATIONS ON THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE G-77 TO THE NAC. INSTEAD OF ADJOURNING FRIDAY P.M., THE PREP COMM CONTINUED UNTIL LATE SATURDAY P. M. WITH THE SUPPORT OF INDIA, PERU, ALGERIA, ARGENTINA, AND INDONESIA, PAKISTAN SUCCEEDED IN GAINING A PREPCOMM CONSENSUS ON ITS POSITION. IN THE PROCESS CABRIC HAS LOST CONSIDERABLE STATURE AND THE SESSION IS ASSURED OF A RESOURCE BASE CONSIDERABLY BROADER AND MORE FLEXIBLE THAN THOSE PUT TOGETHER BY THE CONFIDENTIAL

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NAC.

6. PAKS' MAJOR GOAL IN CHALLENGING THE COLOMBO PROPOSALS IS TO LEAVE OPEN AS MANY ROADS AS POSSIBLE FOR THE ACCEPTANCE OF THE BHUTTO PROPOSAL FOR A THIRD WORLD SUMMIT. (FYI: BHUTTO'S PROPOSAL ALSO HAS UNSTATED INTENTION OF REMOVING FROM THIRD WORLD FORUMS PRESENCE OF BLOC COUNTRIES SUCH AS YUGOSLAVIA WHO ARE NOT REALLY "DEVELOPING"). PAKS

HAVE BEEFED UP ORIGINAL FIVE-MAN DELEGATION WITH ONE
ADDITIONAL REP FROM UN MISSION AND ONE FROM PAK EMBASSY
WASHINGTON. THEY ARE PREPARED TO BLOCK ANY SIGNIFICANT
OUTCOME OF THIS MEETING IF BHUTTO PROPOSAL NOT GIVEN
PROPER TREATMENT. MEXICANS ARE FEARFUL THAT ACCEPTANCE
OF BHUTTO PROPOSAL WOULD PRECLUDE ANY SIGNIFICANT
ACTION AT THE MEXICO CITY CONFERENCE. MEXICAN FOREIGN
SEC GARCIA ROBLES MET WITH PAK FOREIGN MINISTER UPON
HIS ARRIVAL IN MEXICO CITY SEP 12 TO DISCUSS CURRENT
MEETING AND RAMIFICATIONS OF PAK ACTIONS.
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